Agency 046

Law Library

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

2005-07 Expenditure Authority	Annual FTEs General Fund State		Other Funds	Total Funds
	13.8	4,037	5	4,042
Total Maintenance Level	13.8	4,100		4,100
Difference		63	(5)	58
Percent Change from Current Biennium	0.0%	1.6%	(100.0)%	1.4%
Performance Changes				
Technology Software		8		8
Technology Hardware		4		4
Assistant Law Librarian	1.0	140		140
Publication Inflation		218		218
Subtotal	1.0	370		370
Total Proposed Budget	14.8	4,470		4,470
Difference	1.0	433	(5)	428
Percent Change from Current Biennium	7.2%	10.7%	(100.0)%	10.6%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity				
Legal Research and Research Services	14.8	4,470		4,470
Total Proposed Budget	14.8	4,470		4,470

PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS

Technology Software

Funding is provided for the purchase of QuestionPoint 24/7 software.

Technology Hardware

The Library's computer server is in need of upgrading.

Assistant Law Librarian

The Law Library will add an assistant law librarian position.

Publication Inflation

The Library has experienced extraordinary inflation in the costs of legal publications, such as books and journals.

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ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Legal Research and Research Services

The State Law Library, located in the Temple of Justice in Olympia, maintains a legal research library and provides legal reference services to state government and the public. In addition, three branch libraries are maintained at the Court of Appeals in Seattle, Tacoma, and Spokane. The primary function of the State Law Library is to provide a legal research library for use by the public, state officials, staff and employees of the judicial, legislative, and executive branches of government, including all commissions, agencies and boards, local governments, and members of the bar. The State Law Library also advises administrative bodies of county law libraries on developing and improving county law library services. State law (RCW 27.20) establishes the State Law Library as part of the judicial branch of government under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.